

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re the application of:

Katsutomo Terashima et al.

Serial No.: 09/434,024

Filed: November 4, 1999

For: EXCIMER LASER DEVICE AND

GAS FOR EXCIMER DEVICE

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Examiner: C. Jackson

Group Art Unit: 2881/

RESPONSE AFTER FINAL UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.116

Honorable Commissioner of Patents and Trademarks Washington, D.C. 2023

May 22, 2003

Dear Sir:

The following amendments and remarks are submitted in response to the Official action mailed February 26, 2003. The Official action set forth a three-month period for response, making this response due on or before May 26, 2003.

Please amend the above-identified application as follows:

IN THE CLAIMS:

Please cancel claims 25-39 without prejudice or disclaimer of the subject matter set forth therein. Please add the following new claims: